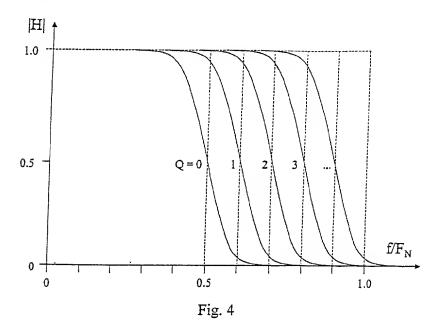


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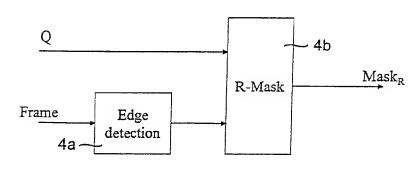


Fig. 5

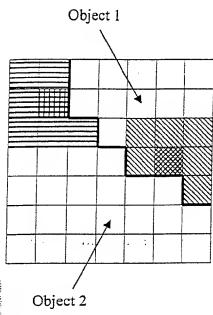
for
$$QA_{min}$$
, QA_{low} and QA_{high}

Filter =
$$\begin{array}{c|ccc}
1 & 2 & 1 \\
2 & W & 2 \\
\hline
1 & 2 & 1
\end{array}$$

$$W = \begin{cases}
4 ; \text{ for } QA_{min} \\
8 : \text{ for } OA.
\end{cases}$$

for QA_{max}

Fig. 6





Pixels contributing to the filtering of

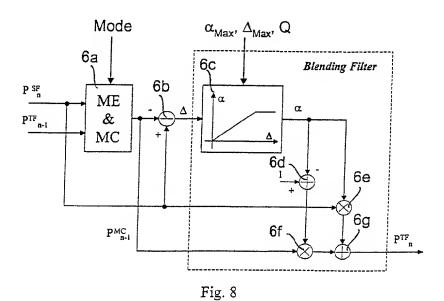


$$F = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|}\hline f_{-1,-1} & f_{0,-1} & f_{1,-1} \\ \hline f_{-1,0} & f_{0,0} & f_{1,0} \\ \hline f_{-1,1} & f_{0,1} & f_{1,1} \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$P^{\textit{new}}[p][I] = \frac{\sum\limits_{j=-1}^{l}\sum\limits_{i=-1}^{l}P[p+i][l+j]\cdot f[i][j]\cdot \mathcal{S}_{\textit{R}}}{\sum\limits_{j=-1}^{l}\sum\limits_{i=-1}^{l}f[i][j]\cdot \mathcal{S}_{\textit{R}}}$$

with: $\delta_{R} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if} \quad P[p+i][l+j] \text{ and } P[p][l] \text{ in same region} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

Fig. 7



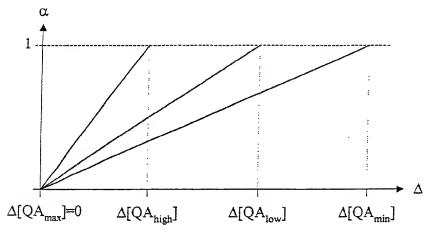


Fig. 9